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Docket No. R2000-1

RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS ROBINSON TO INTERROGATORY OF STAMPS.COM (STAMPS.COM/USPS-T34-1)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides the responses of witness Robinson to the following interrogatory of Stamps.com: STAMPS.COM/USPS-T34-1, filed on March 3, 2000.

Each interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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STAMPS.COM/USPS-T-34-1

Please refer to the attached Postal News Release of February 11, 2000, (labeled Attachment to STAMPS.COM/USPS-T34-1) on the Postal Service's expansion of its pilot program with Mail Boxes Etc. (MBE). According to the news release, 700 MBE locations will be added to the existing 250 locations, which "have offered a variety of postal products and services such as stamps, . . . Priority Mail and Express Mail."

- (a) Please produce a copy of the contract and/or agreements with MBE related to the pilot program.
- (b) For each year remaining in the pilot program, please provide the amount that the Postal Service expects to pay MBE under the contract and / or agreements in total, and individually, for stamps, Priority Mail and Express Mail.
- (c) Do payments to MBE vary with the number or dollar amount of stamp sales by MBE? If so, please provide the procedures for calculating the payments.

RESPONSE:

- (a) See USPS-LR-I-231.
- (b) See USPS-LR-I-231. I am informed that information on the total expected payments is unavailable.
- (c) See USPS-LR-I-231.

DECLARATION

I, Maura Robinson, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing answers are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

MAURA ROBINSON

Dated: 3.17.2000

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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